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STATE OF TENNESSEE  
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION  
Community Relations Division

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**RE: I-65 CORRIDOR STUDY PUBLIC MEETING**  
**Project No. 16SPRI-F7-019**  
**Williamson County**

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

**NOVEMBER 15TH, 2016**  
**5:30 P.M.**

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LOCATION:  
Williamson County Public Library  
1314 Columbia Avenue  
Franklin, TN

SPEAKERS:  
Mr. Kwabena Aboagye  
Mr. John Allen

1 MR. ALLEN: Any general questions.

2 ALEX NOBLE: There was a -- there's  
3 numbers that you showed, sir, current travel times  
4 and future travel times. Those are based on us not  
5 doing anything differently, right?

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6 MR. ALLEN: Right, correct, yes.

7 BETSY GARBER: There was a smaller jump  
8 in the future in the north, is that because of the  
9 light rail that's already up there?

10 MR. ALLEN: No, there's -- that's --

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11 there isn't light rail there yet. That smaller  
12 jump is just because there's population and  
13 employment growth is projected to be less, much  
14 less. So one of the things we're facing here sort  
15 of have been southern Sumner County, all the way  
16 down to Williamson County into Maury County is that  
17 you're already starting at a high level of  
18 population and employment and the systems are  
19 feeling that already, now you got all that 2040  
20 growth and are really, again, turns -- turns red.

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21 MR. ALLEN: Yes, ma'am.

22 PRISCILLA KEDY: I presume that your  
23 current times are base on an average?

24 MR. ALLEN: They are.

25 PRISCILLA KEDY: Okay. Because I can

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1     assure you that during the peak times, there's no  
2     way you can make it anywhere close to that, double  
3     maybe and sometimes four times.

4                 MR. ALLEN:  And what we see typically,  
5     the statewide travel -- looks like daily averages.  
6     We've already started -- we'll have a technical  
7     memorandum for this part coming out soon, but we've  
8     started testing sort of the peak hours performance.  
9     If you remember that -- as volume over capacity as  
10    the legend there, and if the volume over capacity  
11    in a daily basis as, let's say, point three in  
12    these really critical peak hours or some are below  
13    Williamson, Davidson County, you'll see that will  
14    be three times or more the volume over capacity.

15                PRISCILLA KEDY:  Let me ask one other  
16    question.  Is it possible to get hold of this  
17    presentation, would that be posted on the website?

18                MR. ALLEN:  Yes.

19                PRISCILLA KEDY:  Thank you.

20                MR. ALLEN:  Yes, ma'am.

21                GERI MILLER:  Yes, my name is Geri  
22    Miller.  I live in the unincorporated county north  
23    of Franklin just near Hillsboro Road, and as I'm  
24    sure you know, Hillsboro Road is an alternate route  
25    into downtown Nashville and our commutes have

1 lengthen, I think, even more than those on I-65 in  
2 part because that is a two-lane road for much of  
3 this path.

4 MR. ALLEN: Right.

5 GERI MILLER: And I'm wondering what  
6 consideration is being given to -- we're part of  
7 the Corridor over here --

8 MR. ALLEN: Absolutely, yes.

9 GERI MILLER: -- where it's not really  
10 on I-65, but you should see what happens to us  
11 whenever there is a problem with I-65.

12 MR. ALLEN: And one of the things we  
13 did not show here, just for sake of time, is we  
14 have also started doing what we're calling a  
15 spillover effect.

16 GERI MILLER: Yes.

17 MR. ALLEN: And what you're seeing is  
18 on those parallel arterioles when you look out --  
19 road, the volume and traffic volume increases on  
20 those arterioles are hundreds of a second because  
21 the interstate can only take -- once it gets red,  
22 that traffic is pushing out and trying to find some  
23 place -- you know, it's like water, you're trying  
24 to balance body equilibrium. And so, yes, we're  
25 seeing those and that's part of this conversation

1 and also the analysis we're doing that for, yes.  
2 So if you have particular concerns, we'd love to  
3 get those and then we'll also document it in actual  
4 data.

5 Yes, sir.

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6 THOMAS WOLF: My question is the -- and  
7 maybe stretching the boundaries, but is Highway 31  
8 included in the Corridor study?

9 MR. ALLEN: It is, it is.

10 THOMAS WOLF: That's a major issue  
11 between Franklin and Spring Hill and even Columbia.

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12 MR. ALLEN: Absolutely.

13 Yes, sir.

14 DAVID PAIR: I understand they're doing  
15 a study now for a justification for a new  
16 interchange down in the same area this gentleman  
17 just mentioned. So I don't think they put a pin  
18 like the feds have blessed it yet. Is there a way  
19 that this process could help that along?

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20 MR. ALLEN: It could, yes. My  
21 understanding was that. And maybe some -- (several  
22 speakers at once) -- Okay. That is, as far as I  
23 know, that's in the regional transportation plan in  
24 that vision project category so some --

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25 DAVID PAIR: But I don't think the feds

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1 have even blessed the ability to do it.

2 MR. ALLEN: Right, and what I'm saying  
3 fiscally -- my understanding, and I have to double  
4 check this -- but my understanding in the regional  
5 transportation plan in -- they have fiscally --  
6 plan that shows all the projects can be funded with  
7 expected revenues or funds.

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8 DAVID PAIR: And stuff like that is a  
9 pipe dream.

10 MR. ALLEN: And then there is a vision.  
11 Just close your eyes, right, and -- so I think it's  
12 in that category which -- but this process --

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13 DAVID PAIR: Is there a way to help  
14 move it? I don't necessarily is concerned as much  
15 about the funding aspect of it as being able to use  
16 --

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17 MR. ALLEN: Yes, very much, yes,  
18 absolutely.

19 DAVID PAIR: Thank you.

20 MR. ALLEN: Yes, sir.

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21 THOMAS WOLF: I think part of the  
22 problem was they did an interchange study and then  
23 it was expanded. I believe TDOT asked the group  
24 that's involved in it to expand. I think it's  
25 almost doubled in size on it. They're just getting

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1 started on that second batch I believe.

2 MR. ALLEN: Okay. That's been approved  
3 for zoning? I know it's going -- was it  
4 September, was it?

5 DAVID PAIR: It's -- my understanding 06:11i  
6 is the county is doing a study through a consultant  
7 company to submit to the FWHFA.

8 MR. ALLEN: Okay. I was thinking  
9 like -- but the zoning has already taken place; is  
10 that right? 06:12i

11 ANNA SHUFORD: The zoning for the  
12 property -- Anna Shuford -- the zoning for the  
13 property, the Alexander property hasn't gone to --

14 MR. ALLEN: Okay.

15 ANNA SHUFORD: -- yet for that -- for 06:12i  
16 that -- take that property and turn it into a  
17 rezoning for residential, commercial. It's not --  
18 it's not gone through yet.

19 MR. ALLEN: All right. Well, with  
20 that, I would invite you to go to either the big 06:12i  
21 picture or the very specific maps and more again  
22 the better -- and thank you very much for being  
23 here this evening.

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1                   (Comments to court reporter as follows:)

2                   PAT SHELTON: My name is Pat Shelton

3                   and Monday through Friday from I-65 onto I-65 -- I

4                   think it's interchange 65 maybe, up to it's the 96

5                   exit to Moores Lane. I'd say three out of five

6                   days it's a bottleneck, you know, and you're

7                   just -- and then if you go -- and if you go off on

8                   one like Cool Springs exit it's going to be a

9                   bottleneck there because people are going over

10                  there. It's just frustrating that that right there

11                  is just -- because all you're doing is trying to

12                  get from one, Murfreesboro Road, Moores Lane to

13                  work, takes you, you know, you have to -- you want

14                  to use the interstate, but once you're on the

15                  interstate you're stopped in the -- we have a lot

16                  of traffic.

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18                   (CORRIDOR STUDY COMMENTS CONCLUDED AT 6:30 P.M.)

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